

MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI: Sir, the first question related to the period up to Edavam and the latter question related up to the 15th of Mithunam.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know from Government the reason why the Quilon Conciliation officer alone has been able to give a larger number of agreements?

MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI: Sir, that is a fact. The reasons which contributed to this increase are not known to the Government.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know from Government whether they would enquire into this matter?

MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI: Yes, Sir.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know from Government whether in view of their answer to part (a) of the question from which it is seen that the number of applications in Tiruvella is more than double the number of applications in any other Conciliation office Government think it necessary to establish a separate Conciliation office at Chengannur with the jurisdiction of the District Munsiff's Court?

MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI: Sir, the question of the re-distribution of the territorial jurisdiction of the Conciliation Boards is already engaging the attention of Government and the particular point raised by the member will then be born in mind.

MR. KOTTALIL P. ABRAHAM (*Muvattupuzha cum Devicolum*): May I know whether there is any explanation for the Government to offer for the great disparity that is seen in the number of agreements executed by the various conciliation officers?

MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI: Sir, no explanation has been ascertained, but Government would ascertain the circumstance which contributed to this difference.

Colonies for backward communities.

202 ***MR. T. T. KESAVAN SASTRI** (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state the places where the colonies sanctioned for the backward communities are situated, the progress so far made in respect of each colony and the amount set apart for each of them?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Pro-Vice Chancellor*): A statement giving the required information is laid on the table.

MR. JOSEPH VITHAYATHIL (*Kunnathnad cum Parur*): Have Government received any representations in regard to the colony in Kunnathnad?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN: I believe some representations have been received.

MR. JOSEPH VITHAYATHIL: Have the Government done anything in the matter?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN: The details of the representations are not before me, Sir, but Government have considered them and the acquisition of the land has been sanctioned.

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MR. JOSEPH VITHAYATHIL : With regard to this particular land are the Government aware that the persons who are now there have effected valuable improvements to the property and are living there for a long time ?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN : I take it Sir, that all the facts were considered by Government before they decided to acquire the land.

MR. P. C. ADICHAN (*Nominattd*) : എന്താദിമംഗലം എന്ന സ്ഥലത്തു് പരീക്ഷണാർത്ഥം ഒരു കാളനി ഏർപ്പെടുത്തുന്നതിനു കഴിഞ്ഞതവനെ ഉദ്ദേശിച്ചിരുന്നതു് എന്തായി എന്നു പറയാമോ?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN : The Land Revenue Commissioner reported that a compact block of 500 acres was not available in Enadimangalam. The proposal had therefore to be dropped.

MR. P. C. ADICHAN : അതിലേക്കുവേണ്ടി വച്ചിരിക്കുന്ന പണം എങ്ങിനെ ചെലവാക്കാൻ ഉദ്ദേശിക്കുന്നു എന്നു പറയാമോ?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN : No specific amount was allotted for the purpose, Sir.

MR. JOSEPH VITHAYATHIL : May I know whether Government will consider whether waste lands are available for the purpose ?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN : It is a suggestion for future action, Sir.

*Enquiry into the conduct of the Resident Engineer,
Pallivasal Hydro Electric Works.*

203 * MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(a) whether the special commissioner appointed to enquire into the official conduct of the Resident Engineer, Pallivasal Hydro Electric Works, has submitted his report to them ;

(b) the steps taken by them on the report of the special commissioner; and

(c) the steps taken by them for the realisation of the loss if any?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN : (a) No.

(b) & (c) In view of answer to part (a) these questions do not arise

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI : May I know from Government the reason why no report has been submitted to Government by the special commissioner appointed to enquire into the conduct of Resident Engineer ?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN : It is not yet time. The Special Commissioner is examining the papers and taking the other steps necessary for conducting the enquiry.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI : May I know from Government whether any time has been prescribed by Government within which the report has to be submitted ?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN : No time has been prescribed.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum Town*) : May I know when the enquiry was ordered ?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN : On 30-3-1938.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI : May I know whether the enquiry is still proceeding ?

Appendi II.

Vide Answer to Question No. 202.

Statement re Colonies for the Backward Communities.

The Colonies sanctioned for the backward communities are situated at the following places :—

1. Narikulam in Agastisvaram taluk
2. Venganoor in Neyyattinkara taluk
3. Anchamada in Trivandrum taluk
4. Kulathoor in Trivandrum taluk
5. Menakulam in Trivandrum taluk
6. Kurichi in Changanacherry taluk
7. Pakode in Vilavankod taluk
8. Elanthoor in Pathanamthitta taluk
9. Manickamangalam in Kunnatnad taluk

The main items of work for the Colonies are, free gift of house-sites, grants for dwelling houses, sinking of wells, provision of common buildings &c. No fixed amount is definitely set apart for each Colony except for Kurichi for which a sum of Rs. 10,000 has been allotted.

Available information about each of the Colonies is given below :—

1. *Narikulam Colony.*—Two acres of land were acquired at a cost of Rs. 402-14-0. A common building was constructed at a cost of Rs. 699-3-1 and a well was sunk at a cost of Rs. 331-23-6. Thirty-five families were selected for settlement in the Colony and a grant ranging from Rs. 20 to 25 was sanctioned to each family for constructing dwelling houses, the total amount paid for this purpose being Rs. 730. Thirty-three families completed their houses and are occupying them, while the houses of the remaining two families are under construction. A sum of Rs. 38-14-0 was spent on the layout of the area into plots with roads and lines, the total amount spent on the Colony being Rs. 2,201-26-7 cash.

2. *Venganoor Colony.* An extent of 2 acres and 9½ cents of land has recently been acquired at a cost of Rs. 680-25-4 cash and taken possession of by the Department. Further steps are being taken for organising the Colony.

3. *Anchamada Colony.* 6 acres and 27 cents of land were acquired at a cost of Rs. 5,874-7-14 cash. The site for providing an approach to the area has just been acquired at a cost of Rs. 547-7-14 and taken possession of by the Department. Two wells are being sunk and a sum of Rs. 40-21-0 has been spent on that account. The total amount spent on the Colony hitherto comes to Rs. 6,462-8-12.

4. *Kulathoor Colony.* 25 acres of land were acquired at a cost of Rs. 2,000. An old well in the area was repaired at a cost of Rs. 100 and a new well was sunk at a cost of Rs. 246-17-5. Eighteen families have settled in the Colony and each family was paid Rs. 25 for putting up dwelling houses. A sum of Rs. 2,796-17-5 has been spent on the Colony so far.

5. *Menamkolam Colony.* About 25 acres of *poramboke* land were set apart for the Colony and 17 families have settled on it. Each family was paid a grant of Rs. 25 for putting up houses. A well was sunk at a cost of Rs. 248-3-14, the total amount thus far spent on the Colony being Rs. 673-8-14.

6. *Kurichi Colony.* 112.76 acres of *poramboke* land have been set apart for the Colony and 40 families are proposed to be settled in it. Model houses with sanitary arrangements are being constructed at Government cost. Arrangements have been made for the construction of houses, Warden's quarters, &c. A special allotment of Rs. 10,000 has been sanctioned for this Colony in the budget for the current year.

7. *Pakode Colony.* Five and a half acres of Government land have been selected for the Colony and steps are being taken for the selection of 50 families to be settled in it.

8. *Elanthoor Colony.* The acquisition of 6.38 acres of private land has just been sanctioned. The Colony will be organised as soon as the acquisition proceedings are completed and the lands taken possession of.

9. *Manickamangalam Colony.* 6.05 acres of private land have been selected for the intensive amelioration work in North Travancore. The acquisition of the lands has been sanctioned, and as soon as the acquisition proceedings are completed the lands will be occupied and arrangements will be made for the establishment of a Colony of backward communities.

Appendix III.

Vide Answer to Question No. 207.

Statement by caste of clerks in the Account Office.

Number of Permanent clerks.

A. <i>Hindus.</i>		
1	(a) Brahmin	38
	(b) do. (Malayala)	1
2	Nairs	43 C1
3	Other Caste Hindus	14 C1
4	Kammala	1 C1
5	Nadar	2
6	Ezhava	5
7	Cheraman (Pulaya)	...
8	Other Hindus	5
		2
B. <i>Muslims</i>		
C. <i>Christians.</i>		
1	Jacobite	5
2	Marthomite	9
3	Syriac Catholic	4
4	Latin Catholic	2
5	South India United Church	6
6	Other Christians	...
Total		137